

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

Minutes of the 37th meeting of the Executive Council held on 24.01.2017 at 12.30 P.M. in the Meeting Room of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, University of North Bengal.

The following members were present:

1. Prof. Somnath Ghosh, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, University of North Bengal – In the Chair
2. Prof. Subha Sankar Sarkar, Nominee of the Chancellor and Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Netaji Subhas Open University
3. Dr. S. B. Modak, Principal, A.C. Training College
4. Dr. Shanti Chhetry, Principal, P.D. Women's College, Jalpaiguri
5. Dr. Debkumar Mukherjee, Principal, Maynaguri College, Jalpaiguri
6. Prof. Gangotri Chakraborty, Head, Department of Law
7. Mr. Tapan Barui, Head, Department of Library & Information Science, University of North Bengal
8. Prof. A. K. Jana, Head, Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension, University of North Bengal

At the zero hour, letter received from the Director, NAAC dated 2.12.2016 was placed in the meeting. It was reported by the Chair that the University of North Bengal has been accredited with CGPA of 3.05 on seven point scale at 'A' grade. The member of the Executive Council expressed deep appreciation to the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for his expert guidance. It was decided that the said letter of NAAC be uploaded in the University Website.

1. To confirm the minutes of the 36th meeting of the Executive Council held on 19.11.2016.

Decision: Resolved that the minutes of the 36th meeting of the Executive Council held on 19.11.2016 be confirmed.

2. To consider the minutes of the 1st Meeting of the Steering Committee constituted in respect of preparation for 47th Annual Convocation held on 2.11.16.

Decision: Resolved that the minutes of the 1st Meeting of the Steering Committee constituted in respect of preparation for 47th Annual Convocation held on 2.11.16 be approved.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

3. To consider the reports of adjudication along with the *viva-voce* reports of the Ph.D. thesis of the following candidates as per UGC Regulations pre 2009: **(to be placed)**

Sl.No	Name of the Candidate	Name of the Supervisor(s)	Subject	Title of the Thesis
1	Monalisha Biswas	Prof. M. Ghosh	Philosophy	Philosophy and Hermeneutics
2	Geeta Nirola	Prof. B.K. Upadhyay	Nepali	Tulsiram Sharma Kashyapka Kavya Kritiharuko Vishleshan Ra Mulyankan
3	Samir Sen	Prof. P.S. Roy	Chemistry	Studies on Coordination compounds of Cobalt and tungsten, having biochemical relevance to pterin - containing metalloenzymes

4	Surjapada Paul	Dr. S. Rohatgi	Geography & Applied Geography	Socio – Economic Condition of Tea Garden Workers of Dooars Region, West Bengal and Formulation of Development Strategies
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Decision: Resolved that the reports of the *viva-voce* of the above-mentioned candidates as per UGC Regulations pre 2009 be approved and the candidates be admitted to the degree of Ph.D. in the subject mentioned against their name.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

4. To consider the reports of adjudication along with the *viva-voce* reports of the Ph.D. thesis of the following candidates as per UGC Regulations, 2009: **(to be placed)**

Sl.No	Name of the Candidate	Name of the Supervisor(s)	Subject	Title of the Thesis
1	Debojit Dutta	Prof. B.K. Sarkar	History	KOCH COINAGE: A STUDY IN HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE
2	Tapas Adhikary	Prof. M. Bera	Bengali	বিশ শতকের বাংলা উপন্যাসে আঞ্চলিকতা
3	Supam Biswas	Dr. S. Ch. Guha Roy & Prof. A.G. Ghosh (Co-supervisor)	History	RISE AND FALL OF THE BENGALI ENTREPRENEURSHIP : A CASE STUDY OF THE TEA PLANTATION INDUSTRY IN HIMALAYAN AND SUB-HIMALAYAN REGION OF BENGAL (1879 – 2000)
4	Prawin Kumar Sharma	Prof. P. Ghosh & Dr. B. Chakraborty (Co-supervisor)	Chemistry	Greener approach to the synthesis of some novel class of isoxazolidine and isoxazoline derivatives using N-methyl and N-phenyl- α -chloro nitrones
5	Soumendra Nath Nag	Dr. S. Rohatgi	Geography & Applied Geography	KAMTAPUR MOVEMENT IN NORTH BENGAL GEO-ETHNO-ENVIRONMENTAL AND HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE
6	Dibakar Choudhury	Prof. A.P. Das & Dr. P. Mandal (Co-supervisor)	Botany	Distribution and chemotaxonomy of some members of Lauraceae in Terai and Duars region of West Bengal

Decision: Resolved that the reports of the *viva-voce* of the above-mentioned candidates as per UGC Regulations, 2009 be approved and the candidates be admitted to the degree of Ph.D. in the subject mentioned against their name.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

5. To consider the performance report (12 months) of Mr. Ganesh Mahali as placed by the Registrar (Offg.). {EC dated 19.11.16 deferred under item no. 4}

Decision: Resolved that the following employee be confirmed *w.e.f.* the date mentioned against him as per performance report and result of Computer proficiency test:

Sl.No.	Name & Designation	D.O.J.	Date of Confirmation
1	Mr. Ganesh Mahali, Jr. Assistant-Cum-Typist	2.11.2015	2.11.2015

Further resolved that the result of computer proficiency test of Jyoti D' Rozario, Koushik Dey and Sayan Dutta be approved.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

6. To consider the communication received from Higher Education Department, Govt. of West Bengal dated 30.11.2016 regarding clarification on the implementation of G.O. No. 2883 dated

November 1979 governing the re-employment of university teachers upon superannuation on the attainment of the age of 60 years.

Decision: Resolved that the communication received from Higher Education Department, Govt. of West Bengal *vide* G.O. No. 984-Edn(U)/1U(Law)-38/16 dated 30.11.2016 regarding clarification on the implementation of G.O. No. 2883 dated November 1979 governing the re-employment of university teachers upon superannuation on the attainment of the age of 60 years be noted and accepted.

7. To consider the list of experts for Mass Communication as approved by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor.

Decision: Resolved that the list of experts for Mass Communication as approved by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor be noted, ratified and approved.

8. To consider the list of experts for Commerce as approved by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor.

Decision: Resolved that the list of experts for Commerce as approved by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor be noted, ratified and approved.

9. To consider the list of experts for Sanskrit as approved by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor.

Decision: Resolved that the list of experts for Sanskrit as approved by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor be noted, ratified and approved.

10. To consider G.O. No. 892-Edn(U)/1(U)-79/13 dated 04.11.2016 regarding Ph.D./M.Phil increment for the university teachers.

Decision: Resolved that the G.O. No. 892-Edn(U)/1(U)-79/13 dated 04.11.2016 regarding Ph.D./M.Phil increment for the university teachers be noted and accepted for immediate implementation.

Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

11. To consider Ph.D./M.Phil. increment for the following teachers as per G.O. No. 892-Edn(U)/1(U)-79/13 dated 04.11.2016:

- i. Dr. Rajat Kr. Dey, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics
- ii. Dr. Sudip Kr. Bhattacharya, Assistant Professor, Department of Geography & Applied Geography
- iii. Dr. Pinak Tarafdar, Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology
- iv. Dr. Sujit Kumar Biswas, Assistant Professor, Department of Law
- v. Dr. Sujit Kumar Biswas, Assistant Professor, Department of Law
- vi. Dr. Sajal Das, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry
- vii. Dr. Monoranjan Chowdhury, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany
- viii. Dr. Anoop Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology

Decision: The applications of the aforementioned teachers were considered along with other teachers similarly circumstanced and resolved that such benefit to be extended to the eligible teachers as per G.O. No. 892-Edn(U)/1(U)-79/13 dated 04.11.2016. Further resolved that a circular will be issued to all Academic Departments/Centres inviting application from the eligible teachers who are entitled for advance increment for Ph.D./M.Phil./Professional Degree (LL.M., M.Tech. *etc.*) along with a format and also to put up in website.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

12. To consider the note of the Registrar (Offg.) dated 2.12.16 regarding yearly increment admissible to Prof. D. Mitra, Department of Commerce & others who re-joined University duty after availing lien.
- Decision:** Resolved that report of the committee be accepted. Notional incremental effect without any arrear be given to the teacher(s) who re-joined University duty after availing lien.
- Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action.
13. To consider the matter of Re-employment of Prof. Subir Sarkar, Department of Geography & Applied Geography who has attained the age of 60 (sixty) years on 10.01.2017.
- Decision:** Resolved that the matter be taken out in view of G.O. No. 984-Edn(U)/1U(Law)-38/16 dated 30.11.2016.
14. To consider the letter of Prof. Pranab Ghosh, Department of Chemistry dated 21.10.2016 for unification of quarter nos. E/80 & E/81.
- Decision:** Resolved that the prayer of Prof. Pranab Ghosh, Department of Chemistry dated 21.10.2016 for unification of quarter nos. E/80 & E/81 be approved.
- University Engineer (Acting.) be requested to take necessary action.
- NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.**
15. To consider the letter of Prof. Anirban Misra, Department of Chemistry dated 08.11.2016 for unification of quarter nos. E/66 & E/67.
- Decision:** Resolved that the prayer of Prof. Anirban Misra, Department of Chemistry dated 08.11.2016 for unification of quarter nos. E/66 & E/67 be approved.
- University Engineer (Acting.) be requested to take necessary action.
- NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.**
16. To consider the letter of General Secretary, NBU Permanent Non-teaching Employees' Organization dated 9.12.16 regarding representation in different sub-committees/committees.
- Decision:** Resolved that the matter be deferred.
17. To consider the letter of the Administrator, Shree Ramkrishna B.T. College, Darjeeling dated 25.11.16 regarding university nominee for the Governing Body of the said college.
- Decision:** Resolved that following persons be nominated as University nominee to the Governing Body of Shree Ramkrishna B.T. College, Darjeeling:
- Dr. L. P. Gupta, Principal, Sonada Degree College, Darjeeling
 - Dr. Dorjay Lama, Associate Professor, St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling
- Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.
- NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.**
18. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the note of the Audit & Accounts Officer dated 30.11.2016 regarding renewal of contract for support and maintenance of Pay Package.
- Decision:** Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.
19. To consider the letter of the Principal, Vidyasagar College of Education, Phansidewa dated 19.11.16 regarding university nominee for the Governing Body of the said college.

Decision: Resolved that Dr. Pradip Dutta, Ex-Associate Professor, Siliguri College be nominated as University Nominee to the Governing Body of Vidyasagar College of Education, Phansidewa.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

20. To consider the letter of Assistant Secretary, Higher Education Department, Govt. of West Bengal *vide* no. 994-Edn(U)/1U(NB)-11/16 dated 02.12.2016 regarding re-advertisement for appointment of non-teaching employees.

Decision: The letter of Assistant Secretary, Higher Education Department, Govt. of West Bengal *vide* no. 994-Edn(U)/1U(NB)-11/16 dated 02.12.2016 regarding re-advertisement for appointment of non-teaching employees was noted. Resolved that the advertisement be put up as per extant Govt. Order No. 419-Edn(U)/OM-119L/2012 dated 18.04.2013 taking into cognizance the opinion of Ld. Advocate Smt. Shampa Sarkar and Govt. letter. Draft advertisement be mailed to all member of the Executive Council.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

21. To consider the approved "Record of discussions" of the 3rd meeting of the reconstituted State Council of Higher Education held on 17.11.2016 at Amity University, Newtown, Rajarhat, Kolkata as communicated by the Member-Secretary, West Bengal State Council of Higher Education *vide* letter no. MS-Council/326/SCHE/2016 dated 08.12.2016.

Decision: Resolved that CBCS be introduced at UG & PG level from the academic session 2017-18 with introduction of Semester System. Further resolved that a committee be constituted with the following members with a power of co-option to prepare a draft proposal for introduction of Semester System and CBCS both at the UG & PG level of the University:

- i) Prof. Gangotri Chakraborty, Department of Law
- ii) Prof. A. K. Jana, Department of Political Science
- iii) Prof. A. Mukhopadhyay, Department of Physics
- iv) Controller of Examinations (Offg.) – Convener
- v) OSD, Examinations Branch

Controller of Examinations (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

22. To consider the legal matter under Suit No. 128/2002 at High Court, Kolkata (Sri Joyjit Chowdhury vs. NBU & Others.).

Decision: Resolved that University lawyer, Smt. Shampa Sarkar, Ld. Advocate, High Court, Kolkata be immediately contacted and assess the present status of the case for a settlement.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

23. To consider the note of the Finance Officer dated 17.11.16 regarding MoA between BI-IFCC and University of North Bengal in the context of FAIR-CBM collaboration.

Decision: The note of the Finance Officer dated 17.11.16 regarding MoA between BI-IFCC and University of North Bengal in the context of FAIR-CBM collaboration was approved. The members also welcome the proposal. Resolved that Finance Officer be authorized to sign the MoA between BI-IFCC and University of North Bengal in the context of FAIR-CBM collaboration. In case of any difficulty, Registrar (Offg.) will sign MoA.

Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

24. To consider the legal opinion of Smt. Shampa Sarkar, Advocate, High Court, Calcutta regarding affiliation to Falakata B.Ed. College for the Academic Session 2015-2016.

Decision: The opinion of Ld. Advocate, Smt. Shampa Sarkar, High Court, Kolkata noted and resolved that the matter be referred to Ld. Advocate Smt. Shampa Sarkar, High Court, Kolkata in view of act and G.O. No. 113-Edn(U)/1U(WBUTTE)-11/15(Pt.) dated 05.01.2017 regarding affiliation of all B.Ed. colleges to West Bengal University of Teachers' Training, Education Planning & Administration from the academic session 2017-18.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

25. To consider the note of the Finance Officer dated 16.6.15 for accepting of affiliation fee submitted by Falakata B.Ed. College.

Decision: The note of the Finance Officer was placed and resolved that the matter be referred to Ld. Advocate Smt. Shampa Sarkar, High Court, Kolkata in view of act and G.O. No. 113-Edn(U)/1U(WBUTTE)-11/15(Pt.) dated 05.01.2017 regarding affiliation of all B.Ed. colleges to West Bengal University of Teachers' Training, Education Planning & Administration from the academic session 2017-18.

26. To consider the note of the Controller of Examinations (Offg.) dated 8.12.16 regarding publication of results of M.Phil./Ph.D. Course Work Examinations following the UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Awards of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2016.

Decision: Resolved that decision which is taken in case of Ph.D. course work *vide* EC Resolution dated 27.9.2016 under item no. 34(xxxviii)(c), to be also followed in case of M.Phil. 1st Semester 2016 and accordingly result will be published for M.Phil. 1st Semester 2016.

Controller of Examinations (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

27. To consider the prayer of Dr. Sankar Kumar Das, Associate Professor, Bankura University dated 9.12.16 regarding *lien* for another period *w.e.f.* 22.12.16 to 21.12.17.

Decision: Resolved that six month *lien* be granted *w.e.f.* 22.12.16.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

28. To consider the implementation of Paternity-cum-Child Care Leave in r/o regular male employees of this university as per communication received from the Joint Secretary, Higher Education Department, University Branch, Govt. of West Bengal vide no. 1019(20)-Edn(U)/EH/1U-53/99 (Pt. 1) dated 7.12.16.

Decision: Paternity-cum-Child Care Leave in r/o regular male employees of this university as per communication received from the Joint Secretary, Higher Education Department, University Branch, Govt. of West Bengal vide no. 1019(20)-Edn(U)/EH/1U-53/99 (Pt. 1) dated 7.12.16 be noted. Resolved that a circular be issued to all concerned of the University about the implementation of Paternity-cum-Child Care Leave.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

29. To constitute the Inspection team regarding permanent affiliation of Alipurduar Mahila Mahavidyalaya as per the note of the Inspector of Colleges vide no. 280//Int/Insp-16 dated 22.12.16.

Decision: Resolved that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor be authorized to constitute the inspection team regarding permanent affiliation of Alipurduar Mahila Mahavidyalaya.

30. To consider the minutes of the meeting held on 29.12.16 with all the Head/Directors of Academic/Administrative Departments/Centres.

Decision: Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 29.12.16 with all the Head/Directors of Academic/Administrative Departments/Centres regarding State Level Teachers' Convention organized by the Higher Education Department, Govt. of West Bengal on 07.01.2017 at Netaji Indoor Stadium, Kolkata be approved.

31. To consider the legal opinion of Smt. Shampa Sarkar, Advocate, High Court, Calcutta regarding supervision of candidates under Ph.D. & M.Phil. course by the reemployed teachers.

Decision: Resolved that opinion of Smt. Shampa Sarkar, Advocate, High Court, Calcutta regarding supervision of candidates under Ph.D. & M.Phil. course by the reemployed teachers be noted and approved.

32. To consider the legal opinion of Smt. Shampa Sarkar, Advocate, High Court, Calcutta regarding suspension *w.e.f.* 7.3.08 and consequential superannuation of Smt. Chhaya Paul, Senior Assistant.

Decision: Legal opinion of Smt. Shampa Sarkar, Ld. Advocate, High Court, Calcutta in respect of Smt. Chhaya Paul was considered and the members opined that all retiral benefits be given to Smt. Chhaya Paul taking her actual date of birth *i.e.* 01.10.1945. It was also resolved that excess payment if any made to her, would be recovered from her retirement benefits.

Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

33. To consider the minutes of the Building committee held on 10.01.2017.

Decision: It was reported that the Building Committee was constituted as per UGC Guidelines. Resolved that the minutes of the Building committee held on 10.01.2017 be approved [items 1 – 12].

Further resolved that against item no. 8, it was decided that a legal notice be issued for the illegal encroachment of the University Land to the Asian High Way Authority, State Electricity Board and Local BL & LRO. Before issuing legal notice, a status report of the land will be obtained from the Estate Officer and University Engineer (Acting).

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

34. To consider the minutes of the Project Monitoring Unit (PMU) held on 17.01.2017.

Decision: Resolved that the minutes of the Project Monitoring Unit (PMU) held on 17.01.2017 be approved. Further resolved that two or three expert opinion be sought regarding installation of SEM model JSMIT100 as proposed by JEOL India Pvt. Ltd.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

35. To consider the minutes of the XII Plan Steering Committee held on 04.01.2017.

Decision: Resolved that the minutes of the XII Plan Steering Committee held on 04.01.2017 be approved.

Development Officer be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

36. To consider the letter of the Teacher-in-Charge, Mirik College dated 06.01.17 regarding university nominee for the Governing Body of the said college.

Decision: The letter of the Teacher-in-Charge, Mirik College dated 06.01.17 was discussed. Resolved that the letter of the Teacher-in-Charge, Mirik College dated 06.01.17 regarding university nominee for the Governing Body of the said college be regretted. The college be further informed that the process of seeking the university nominee(s) is not in conformity with rules and the university will sent the nominee(s) as per rules.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

37. To consider the report submitted by the committee constituted by the Finance Committee dated 6.5.16 under item no. 31 regarding Draft Policy for "Payment of retirement benefit on the date of retirement" as recommended by the Finance Committee dated 9.1.17.

Decision: Resolved that Draft Policy for "Payment of retirement benefits on the date of retirement" as recommended by the Finance Committee dated 9.1.17 was noted. Members opined the format used by DPI, Higher Education Department, Govt. of West Bengal should be taken into cognizance.

Further resolved that a "Retirement Benefit Committee" (RBC) be constituted with the following members with power of co-option to help in the preparation and upgradation of Service Book of the employees. The committee will also look after all the matters relating to retirement of the concerned incumbent effective from 01.01.2017. Necessary documents/papers will be supplied by the Office of the Registrar/Finance Officer to the committee. Office of the Registrar will prepare a list of employees who will retire from the university service within one year on 1st January of every year.

Composition of the "Retirement Benefit Committee" (RBC):

- (i) Prof. Rathin Bandyopadhyay, Department of Law
- (ii) Prof. J. C. Basak, Department of Philosophy
- (iii) Prof. B. C. Paul, Department of Physics
- (iv) Prof. A. K. Jana, Department of Political Science
- (v) Prof. Anirban Misra, Department of Chemistry

Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

38. To consider the note of the Audit & Accounts Officer dated 18.1.17 regarding arrear salary of non-teaching employees.

Decision: Resolved that the note of the Audit & Accounts Officer dated 18.1.17 regarding arrear salary of non-teaching employees be approved subject to verification about their past service record.

Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action.

39. To consider the minutes of the 94th Meeting of the Purchase Committee held on 26.12.2016 and 27.12.2016.
- Decision:** Resolved that the minutes of the 94th Meeting of the Purchase Committee held on 26.12.2016 and 27.12.2016 be approved.
- Audit & Accounts Officer be requested to take necessary action.
- NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.**
40. To consider a resolution of the Sports Board Working Committee held on 14.12.16 relating to enhancement of sports fees and daily allowances of the student and coach/manager.
- Decision:** Resolved that resolution of the Sports Board Working Committee held on 14.12.16 relating to enhancement of sports fees and daily allowances of the student and coach/manager be approved.
- Secretary, Sports Board be requested to take necessary action.
41. To consider the implementation of Memorandum issued by the Special Secretary to the Government of West Bengal, Finance Department, Audit Branch *vide* no. 18-F/(P₂) dated 2.1.17 regarding Dearness Allowance.
- Decision:** Resolved that Memorandum issued by the Special Secretary to the Government of West Bengal, Finance Department, Audit Branch *vide* no. 18-F/(P₂) dated 2.1.17 regarding Dearness Allowance be approved and implemented forthwith.
- Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action.
- NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.**
42. To consider the note of the Inspector of Colleges dated 17.1.17 regarding change of affiliation of B.Ed. colleges.
- Decision:** Noted. It was reported that a formal No Objection has been sent to the Higher Education Department, Govt. of West Bengal by the Registrar (Offg.) under the direction of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor regarding change of affiliation of all B.Ed. colleges to the West Bengal University of Teachers' Training, Education Planning & Administration from the Session 2017-18. It was also reported that Higher Education Department was also informed about the status of University B.T. & Evening College, Cooch Behar. Necessary amendment may be made in the University Act, Statutes, etc. after transfer of affiliation of all B.Ed. colleges to the West Bengal University of Teachers' Training, Education Planning & Administration from the Session 2017-18.
- Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.
43. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the note of the University Engineer (Acting) dated 23.9.16 regarding charges for augmentation of power load up to 80% of 1500 KVA *i.e.* 1200 KVA (1.2MW).
- Decision:** Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.
44. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the proposal of the University Engineer (Acting) regarding enhancement of Load of electricity in the University Campus from existing 500 KVA to 1000 KVA.
- Decision:** Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

45. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the proposal of the University Engineer (Acting) regarding enhancement of Load of electricity in the University Campus from existing 800 KVA to 1000 KVA.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

46. To report that Dr. Arindam Bhattacharjee has been appointed to act as Head of the Department of Microbiology with effect from 21.12.2016 for a period of two years or the tenure shall cease on completion of the age of superannuation of Dr. Bhattacharjee, whichever is earlier.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

47. To report that Mr. Tapan Barui has been appointed to act as Head of the Department of Library & Information Science with effect from 21.12.2016 for a period of two years or the tenure shall cease on completion of the age of superannuation of Mr. Barui, whichever is earlier.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

48. To report that Mr. Subhrajyoti Kundu has been appointed to act as Head of the Department of Mass Communication with effect from 21.12.2016 for a period of two years or the tenure shall cease on completion of the age of superannuation of Mr. Kundu, whichever is earlier.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

49. To report that Prof. Soumitra De has been appointed to act as Head of the Department of Political Science with effect from 01.01.2017 for a period of two years or the tenure shall cease on completion of the age of superannuation of Prof. De, whichever is earlier.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

50. To report that Prof. Manjula Bera has been appointed to act as Head of the Department of Bengali with effect from 01.01.2017 for a period of two years or the tenure shall cease on completion of the age of superannuation of Prof. Bera, whichever is earlier.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

51. To report that Dr. Shilpi Ghosh has been appointed to act as Head of the Department of Biotechnology with effect from 21.12.2016 for a period of two years or the tenure shall cease on completion of the age of superannuation of Dr. Ghosh, whichever is earlier.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

52. To report that Prof. Ghanashyam Nepal, Dean, Faculty Council for PG Studies in Arts, Commerce & Law has been appointed to act as Head of the Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension with effect from 01.01.2017 to 04.01.2017.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

53. To report that Prof. Arun Kanti Jana, Department of Political Science has been appointed to act as Head of the Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension with effect from 05.01.2017 to until further order.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

54. To report that Prof. Pranab Ghosh, Department of Chemistry has been appointed to act as Head of the Department of Tea Science with effect from 14.01.2017 to until further order not exceeding two years.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

55. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has waived the following criteria for the time being as proposed by the Registrar (Offg.) dated 16.12.16:

As per Rules relating to North Bengal University Students' Association Part-IV: Mode of Election of Office-Bearers 28(e) "A student shall not be eligible to cast Vote and contest election if he/she does not clear all tuition fees and all hostel fees (where applicable) for the months previous to the month when provisional Register of the General Body is published"

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

56. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has permitted to notify the date of election *etc.* and constituted the following Election Committee relating to election of North Bengal University Students' Association:

- i. Prof. Pranab Ghosh, Dept. of Chemistry – Convener
- ii. Dr. Laxmikanta Padi, Dept of Philosophy – Member
- iii. Dr. Ramesh Dural, Dept. of Political Science – Member

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

57. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has waived the following criteria for the time being as proposed by the Registrar (Offg.) dated 16.12.16:

As per Rules relating to North Bengal University Law Students' Association under Serial No. 9(e) "Election" head "A student shall not be eligible to cast Vote and contest election if he/she does not clear all tuition fees and all hostel fees (where applicable) for the months previous to the month when provisional Register of the General Body is published"

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

58. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has permitted to notify (vide Ref. 4842/R-16 dated 23.12.16) the date of election *etc.* and constituted the following Election Committee relating to election of North Bengal University Law Students' Association:

- i. Dr. Narender Nagarwal, Dept. of Law – Convener
- ii. Prof. Rathin Bandyopadhyay, Dept. of Law – Member
- iii. Dr. Sujit Kumar Biswas, Dept. of Law – Member

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

59. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has permitted to submit the Ph.D. thesis of Mr. Bibhuti Bhusan Biswas, Research Scholar under the Department of Bengali, NBU & Assistant Professor, Thakur Panchanan Mahila Mahavidyalaya subject to declaration from both the Supervisor & Candidate regarding plagiarism due to non-availability of Anti-plagiarism software in such vernacular.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

60. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the note of the Finance Officer, NBU dated 17.11.16 regarding fixed deposit amounting Rs. 7,05,338 at SBI, NBU Campus Branch.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

61. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the note of the Finance Officer, NBU dated 17.11.16 regarding fixed deposit amounting Rs. 1,31,226 at SBI, NBU Campus Branch.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

62. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the note of the Finance Officer, NBU dated 17.11.16 regarding fixed deposit amounting Rs. 1,30,275 at SBI, NBU Campus Branch.
- Decision:** Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.
63. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the note of the Finance Officer, NBU dated 08.11.16 regarding fixed deposit amounting Rs. 49,20,963 at SBI, NBU Campus Branch.
- Decision:** Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.
64. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the note of the Finance Officer, NBU dated 08.11.16 regarding fixed deposit amounting Rs. 15,22,752 at SBI, NBU Campus Branch.
- Decision:** Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.
65. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the note of the Controller of Examinations (Offg.), NBU dated 15.12.16 regarding decisions of the Board of Discipline relating to malpractice cases in connection with B.A./B.Sc./B.Com. Part-I & II (Honours/General) Examinations, 2016.
- Decision:** Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.
66. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has constituted a committee with the following members for Virtual Class Room of this university on the basis of the note of the Finance Officer, NBU dated 24.11.16:
- i. Prof. A. Mukhopadhyay, Department of Physics – Chairman
 - ii. Dr. A. Mandal, Dept. of Computer Sc. & Application
 - iii. Prof. S. De, Dept. Pol. Science
 - iv. The Finance Officer
 - v. The Registrar (Offg.)
 - vi. The Audit & Accounts Officer – Convener
- Decision:** Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.
67. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the proposal for On-Line University Registration for the Session 2016-2017 as observed by the Registrar (Offg.) dated 6.6.16 & OSD, NBU dated 10.6.16.
- Decision:** Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.
68. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the affiliation of PG Programme in English of Salesian College (Siliguri Campus) for this session (2016-17) only.
- Decision:** Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.
69. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has constituted the following members regarding plagiarism in Ph.D. thesis of Dr. Madhab Chandra Adhikary as per the decision of the Executive Council in its meeting held on 19.11.16 under item no. 10:
- i. Prof. Dr. Anand Shankar Singh, Dept. of History, Faculty of Social Sciences, BHU, Varanasi
 - ii. Prof. Manjiri N. Kamat, Head, Dept. of History, University of Madras
 - iii. Prof. Sujata Mukherjee, Dept. of History, RBU

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

70. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has advised Dr. Swapan Kr. Rakshit, Deputy Registrar to act as Registrar (Offg.) *w.e.f.* 2.1.17 (forenoon) to 31.3.17 (afternoon) or till further order after the tenure of Prof. Anirban Misra, Department of Chemistry was over on 01.01.2017 (afternoon).

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved. Services rendered by Prof. Anirban Misra as Registrar (Offg.) noted and recorded with appreciation.

71. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has constituted the following members for the Anti-Plagiarism committee:

- i. Dean, Science – Chairman
- ii. Dean, Arts, Commerce & Law
- iii. Prof. A. Mukhopadhyay, Dept. of Physics
- iv. Prof. P. R. Sengupta, Dept. of Commerce
- v. Registrar (Offg.)
- vi. Information Scientist
- vii. Librarian-in-Charge – Convener

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

72. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the extension of term of the present Governing Body of Maynaguri College upto 31.3.17 or formation of the new Governing Body whichever is earlier.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

73. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has constituted following committee to utilize 20 lakh sanctioned under MPLADS Schemes of Sri Vivek Gupta, Hon'ble MP, Rajyasabha for implementation of WiFi facility in the University campus:

- i. Prof. A. Mukhopadhyay, Department of Physics – Chairman
- ii. Dr. A. Mandal, Department of Computer Science & Application
- iii. The Head, Computer Centre
- iv. OSD, Examination Branch
- v. Finance Officer
- vi. Registrar (Offg.) – Convener

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

74. To report that a formal no objection certificate has been sent to the Higher Education Department, Govt. of West Bengal regarding change of affiliation of B.Ed. colleges affiliated to the University of North Bengal under West Bengal University of Teachers' Training, Education Planning and Administration from the academic session 2017-2018.

Decision: No objection certificate has been sent to the Higher Education Department, Govt. of West Bengal by the Registrar (Offg.) under the direction of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and the same is approved.

75. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the note of the Controller of Examinations dated 05.01.17 regarding issuance of degree certificates in the next convocation as per rules.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

76. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has constituted the Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Bengali, English, Hindi, Nepali, Sanskrit, Political Science, Economics, Commerce, History, Philosophy, Sociology, Physiology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Zoology, Botany, Computer Science, Geography, Modern Tibetan, Sericulture, Micro Biology, Environmental Studies, Statistics, Mass Comm & Journalism, Geological Sciences, Arabic, Urdu, Psychology.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

77. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has constituted the Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Education.

Decision: Action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is noted, ratified and approved.

78. Any other Agenda to be placed by the Chair.

- i. To consider the addition of three (3) years with total length of service of Prof. Basudeb Basu, Department of Chemistry.

Decision: Resolved that necessary correction be made in the service book of Prof. Baudeb Basu, Department of Chemistry regarding G.O. No. 175-Edn(U) dated 25.02.1999 and accordingly his pensionary benefits may be settled.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

- ii. To consider the note of the Finance Officer dated 16.1.17 to frame the policy relating to Reserve/Corpus funds as sought by the UGC *vide* D.O. No.F.1-1/2016(SAR)IA dated 31.12.2016.

Decision: Note of the Finance Officer dated 16.1.17 was placed and discussed in the meeting. Resolved that University does not require any Reserve/Corpus fund as almost 90% financial assistance is provided by the State Govt.

Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action.

- iii. To consider the communication received from Mr. Mrigendra Chaturvedi, Advocate dated 10.01.2017 regarding legal venting/opinion in respect of extension of the tenure of the Governing Body of Mekliganj College which was previously affiliated to this university.

Decision: Resolved that legal opinion of Mr. Mrigendra Chaturvedi, Advocate in respect of extension of the tenure of the Governing Body of Mekliganj College which was previously affiliated to this university be approved.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

- iv. To consider the minutes of the 167th Finance Committee meeting held on 26.09.2016.

Decision: Resolved that the minutes of the 167th Finance Committee meeting held on 26.09.2016 be approved.

Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

v. To consider the minutes of the 168th Finance Committee meeting held on 09.01.2017.

Decision: Resolved that the minutes of the 168th Finance Committee meeting held on 09.01.2017 be approved.

Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

vi. To consider the minutes of the 169th Finance Committee meeting held on 16.01.2017.

Decision: Resolved that the minutes of the 169th Finance Committee meeting held on 16.01.2017 be approved.

Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

vii. To consider the letter of Mr. Amit Gupta, General Secretary & Pravat Kr. Yadav, President of North Bengal University Aasthaye Sikhkha Karmi Association dated 16.12.16.

Decision: Noted.

viii. To consider the note of the Registrar (Offg.) dated 19.1.17 regarding upgradation of pay of Dr. Abhijeet Deb, Secretary, Faculty of Arts, Commerce & Law.

Item corrected in the EC Meeting as:

To consider the note of the Registrar (Offg.) dated 19.1.17 regarding revision of pay structure of Dr. Abhijeet Deb, Secretary, Faculty of Arts, Commerce & Law.

Decision: Note of the Registrar (Offg.) dated 19.1.17 was considered. Resolved that pay of Dr. Abhijeet Deb, Secretary, Faculty of Arts, Commerce & Law be fixed in the Pay Band 4 (Rs. 37,400 – 67,000) with GP of Rs. 9,000/- *w.e.f.* 16.01.2017 subject to observation from the Office of the Finance Officer and concurrence from the State Government as the salary component will be under COSA.

Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action.

ix. To consider the note of the Registrar (Offg.) dated 19.1.17 regarding 15 nos. legal bills submitted by Mr. Mrigendra Kumar Chaturvedi, Advocate, Siliguri Court amounting Rs. 75,500/-.

Decision: Resolved that 15 nos. legal bills submitted by Mr. Mrigendra Kumar Chaturvedi, Advocate, Siliguri Court amounting Rs. 75,500/- be verified and paid.

Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

x. To consider the note of the Registrar (Offg.) dated 19.1.17 regarding 1 no. legal bill submitted by Mr. Jaydip Kar, Senior Advocate, Kolkata amounting Rs. 1,25,500/- and Clerkage charges of amounting Rs. 12,550/-.

Decision: Resolved that 1 no. legal bill submitted by Mr. Jaydip Kar, Senior Advocate, Kolkata amounting Rs. 1,25,500/- and Clerkage charges of amounting Rs. 12,550/- be verified and paid.

Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

- xi. To consider the letter of Dr. Ashis K. Nanda, Department of Chemistry dated 20.01.2017 regarding his reemployment *w.e.f.* 16.11.16 for two years.

Decision: Resolved that the case of Dr. Ashis K. Nanda, Department of Chemistry be sent to the Higher Education, Govt. of West Bengal for advice and directive with a back up note explaining the situation.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

- xii. Misc. item.

- (a) To consider framing of a policy decision regarding issuance of equivalence certificate to be issued to the Ph.D. holders during pre-2009 period, 2009 to 2016 period.

Decision: Resolved that a committee be constituted with the following members for framing of a policy decision regarding issuance of equivalence certificate to be issued to the Ph.D. holders during pre-2009 period, 2009 to 2016 period.

Composition of the committee:

- (1) Prof. Gangotri Chakraborty, Department of Law
- (2) Prof. A. K. Jana, Department of Political Science
- (3) Prof. A. Mukhopadhyay, Department of Physics
- (4) OSD, Examination Branch - Convener

OSD, Examination Branch be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

- (b) To consider the letter of the Secretary & President NBUOA dated 24.01.2017 regarding implementation of CAS of University Officers' as per existing G.O. No. 228-Edn(U) dated 8.3.2001.

Decision: After threadbare discussion on the issue, the following resolution was adopted in the meeting:

- (1) All CAS cases till 11.08.2013 would be extended as per existing G.O. No. 228-Edn(U) dated 8.3.2001 to eligible officers. However, the Component of Salary being under COSA, the State Government would be kept informed and advice to be sought.
- (2) Promotional benefits would be as per G.O. No 228-Edn(U) dated 08.03.2001. However, the State Government's concurrence would be taken as the enhancement of salary component would have to be reflected under COSA
- (3) For those officers whose CAS became due after 11.8.2013, a draft undertaking or an affidavit would be presented before the Executive Council and prior to that the State Government's concurrence will be sought. The response of the State Government also to be presented to Executive Council.

Registrar (Offg.) be requested to take necessary action.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

(c) To consider the legal opinion of Smt. Shampa Sarkar, Ld. Advocate, High Court, Kolkata regarding implementation of EPF in the University.

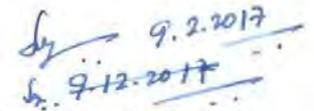
Decision: The legal opinion of Smt. Shampa Sarkar, Ld. Advocate, High Court, Kolkata regarding implementation of EPF in the University was considered. Resolved that the matter be referred to the same Committee constituted in this regard for implementation of EPF of daily wages and contractual employees of the University.

Account Officer, Convener of Committee be requested to take necessary action and to be placed in the next EC meeting.

NOTE: Confirmed with immediate action by the Chair.

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.


(Dr. S. K. Rakshit)
Secretary


(Prof. Somnath Ghosh)
Chairman